

STATE OF MAINE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 98-708

June 29, 1999

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
Uniform Information  
Disclosure and Informational  
Filing Requirements (Chapter 306)

ORDER FINALLY  
ADOPTING RULE AND  
STATEMENT OF  
POLICY BASIS

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

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In this Order, we finally adopt a rule governing uniform information disclosure and informational filing requirements for competitive electricity providers.

On February 23, 1999, the Commission provisionally adopted a rule on information disclosure and informational filing requirements. Because the rule was denominated as a "major substantive" rule by 35-A M.R.S.A. § 3203(3), it required legislative approval under 5 M.R.S.A. §§ 8071-8074. In compliance with those provisions, the Commission submitted the rule to the Legislature for its approval. On May 18, 1999, Governor King signed into law Resolves 1999, ch. 34, which authorizes final adoption of the information disclosure and filing requirements rule.

Although Chapter 34 authorizes the final adoption of the uniform information disclosure and informational filing rule, it also requires one change be made to the language of the rule when finally adopted. Chapter 34 requires that the disclosure label be provided to customers quarterly rather than semi-annual as stated in the provisional rule.

The change required by Chapter 34 has been made in the final rule.

Accordingly, we

O R D E R

1. That the attached Chapter 306, Uniform Information Disclosure and Informational Filing Requirements is hereby finally adopted; and
2. That the Administrative Director shall file the finally adopted rule and related materials with the Secretary of State; and
3. That the Administrative Director shall send copies of this Order and attached rule to:
  - A. All electric utilities in the State;

- B. All persons who have filed with the Commission within the past year a written request for notices of rulemakings;
- C. All persons on the Commission's list of persons who wish to receive notice of all electric restructuring proceedings;
- D. All persons who have filed comments in Docket No. 98-708; and
- E. The Executive Director of the Legislative Council (20 copies).

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 29th day of June, 1999.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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Raymond J. Robichaud  
Assistant Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR:      Nugent  
                                                         Diamond

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:              Welch

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2. Appeal of a final decision of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within 30 days of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 73, et seq.
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